

PUBLIC MEETING

Alaska Temporary Assistance Program Changes to Work Services for Needy Families

February 24, 2012 * 1:30 p.m.

3601 C Street, Room 890 * Anchorage, AK

Call in: 1 800/315.6338 code 2340

Purpose: The Division will present anticipated changes to services that promote self-sufficiency for families receiving Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP) benefits; the public will have an opportunity to comment on past effectiveness, current need, and proposed changes to ATAP Work Services.

1. ATAP Work Services

Background

- TANF Program and Welfare Reform
- Current Services Available

The Success of Welfare Reform – What has worked

- Caseload Reduction
- Metrics & Outcomes

Emergent & Persistent Challenges – What is missing

- Trends & Data
- Family Centric Services
- Gaps in Services & Coordination

20 minutes

***PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
What has worked
What is missing***

20 minutes

2. Work First and Families First Work Services

Work First Scope of Work

- Service Population
- Services – Work and Supports to Families to Retain and Advance in Employment
- What success looks like – Outcomes

Families First Scope of Work

- Service Population
- Services – Informed Plans and Family Support Team
 - Disability Screening; Social Security Application Services
 - Discovery; Negotiated Employment

Work Flow and Resources

- DPA and DHSS Resources to Support Work Services
- What success looks like – Client Progress, Metrics

20 minutes

***PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
Scope of Work and Services***

20 minutes

3. Procurement and Provision of Service Providers

Families First & Related Services

- Competitive Procurement – Service Area
- Grant Characteristics
- Identification of Providers outside Competitive Procurement Process
- Vendor agreements for related services

Work First

- Competitive Procurement – Services Area
- Pay-for-Performance Contract Characteristics
- Identification of Providers outside Competitive Procurement Process

***PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
Procurement***

20 minutes

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4. Wrap-Up

Review of outstanding questions
Last call for comments

10 minutes

Please Note: A pre-proposal meeting will be held on March 6 to answer questions regarding the Families First Request for Proposals (RFP).

Meeting minutes will be available no later than 3/5/12 posted on DPA web page <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/>.